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TO PEONY ENTHUSIASTS:

I am receiving a great many letters asking my prices on certain varieties of peonies and inquiring if I will again sell small divisions of fine varieties.

In advance of the publication of my complete price list, I hereby announce that I will continue my method of selling divisions of the fine varieties, and that I will in addition, offer two sizes of roots; one which is strong enough to stand the shock of division and at the same time large enough to be made into three divisions of at least one-eye each, and a smaller size root which may have as many eyes as the first one, but which my experience tells me, should not be divided until it has grown another year. I will offer the larger root, which can be divided, at a certain price, say, for example, \$15.00. I will offer the one-eye division of the same variety at one-third that price, \$5.00, and the one-year root which should

not be divided at two-thirds of the price of the larger one-year root, making it cost \$10.00. Thus I will establish a new set of prices for my peony roots and these prices will all be selected so as to divide naturally and easily by three.

I prefer to send roots by express, as in that case the buyer pays only the actual cost of transportation. However, if twenty-five (25c) cents additional is sent for each root or division, I will send the shipment by parcel post, and I will insure the safe delivery of the package. Last year the parcel post shipments were as a rule delivered more quickly than the express shipments and not a single package was lost, but sometimes the customer paid a little more than he would have done had his roots been sent by express. However, in some cases the customer profited by the parcel post advance payment, for I remember one shipment where the customer sent me 50c for postage and it cost me \$1.83 to prepay the charges on that single package. It was in the eighth zone. So if you do not find as many stamps on your package as you expected, just remember that some other packages take more than is sent for postage.

Here is an advance list of some of the varieties most in demand:

a and a	One-Eye Divisions	Small roots which should not be divided	Strong one- year roots which can be divided
Aviateur Reymond	\$ 4.00	\$ 8.00	\$12.00
Bertrade	3.00	6.00	9.00
Evangeline	3.00	6.00	
Estafette	3.00	6.00	9.00
E. G. Hill	3.00	6.00	9.00
Evening Glow	4.00	8.00	12.00
Elwood Pleas	4.00	8.00	12.00
Enchantress	5.00	10.00	15.00
Exquisite (Kelway)	6.00	12.00	18.00
Elizabeth Barrett Browning	8.00	16.00	24.00
Frances Willard	4.00	8.00	12.00
Frances Shaylor	5.00	10.00	15.00
Galathee	4.00	8.00	
Georgiana Shaylor	4.00	8.00	12.00
Ginette	5.00	10.00	15.00
Jubilee	6.00	12.00	18.00
	7.00	14.00	21.00
Jeannot	15.00	30.00	
			96.00
Le Cygne	12.00	24.00	36.00
Laura Dessert		16.00	
Lamertine (Lemoine)	5.00	10.00	
Mont Blane	3.00	6.00	9.00
M. Martin Cahuzac	3.00	6.00	9.00
Madame Jules Dessert	4.00	8.00	12.00
Madame Mauchet	4.00	8.00	12.00
Mignon	5.00	10.00	
Margaret Gaudichau		10.00	
Madame Emile Dupraz	7.00	14.00	21.00
Mary Woodbury Shaylor	10.00	20.00	30.00
Mrs. Edward Harding		100.00	
Opal	5 00	10.00	15.00
Primevere	3.00	6.00	9.00
Phoebe Carey	4.00	8.00	
Phyllis Kelway	5.00	10.00	15,00
Philippe Rivoire	10.00	20.00	
President Wilson		34.00	51.00
Rosette	5.00	10.00	15.00
Rosa Bonheur	5.00	10,00	
Raoul Dessert		10.00	
Solange	3.00	6.00	9.00
Suzette	3.00	6.00	9.00
Souv. De Louis Bigot	4.00	8.00	
Standard Bearer	8.00	16.00	
Therese	3.00	6.00	9.00
Tourangelle	3.00	6.00	9.00
Victoire de La Marne	5.00	10.00	
William F. Turner	$\frac{5.00}{3.00}$	6.00	9.00
Welter Ferry		8.00	$\frac{9.00}{12.00}$
Walter Faxou	4.00	8.00	12.00

Last year I sold completely out of stock intended for salc, of every one of the new rare varieties, and of some kinds, I am sorry to say, that I did not even reserve enough for my own planting, and so Lady A. Duff, Longfellow and Martha Bulloch do not appear on this list. However, I hope to offer them next year.

This price list is not complete, as my stock of plants is so large it takes several days to invoice it and place the proper value on the plants I wish to offer, and as I do all of this kind of work myself, it takes considerable time. This price list will be followed by a more complete one in about three weeks, and if any of the varieties here listed are sold out before that time they will be withdrawn.

Until August 1st I will not accept orders from any one person for more than one full size one-year root of each of the very rare varieties, because I am catering to the Peony enthusiasts who are building up collections, and I want to get my plants into as many gardens as possible.

In every case include check to cover the price of the roots you order, as this method saves all bookkeeping expense, and upon the receipt of the order I will immediately reserve the roots for you.

Last season a great many late buyers were unable to secure the varieties they wished. I will publish revised price lists every two or three weeks showing varieties which are not sold out at the time lists are published.